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Title: IMPLANTABLE DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ADJUSTABLY
RESTRICTING A BODY LUMEN

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified patent application for review, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

In the first line after the title, please insert the following, -- This application is a

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REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are now pending. Please enter into the record the preliminary amendment described herein prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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